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BENTON HARBOR, MICH., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1897.

ONE CENT.

A LARGE BANKRUPT STOCK OF Shot Guns and Rifles

Of all kinds for sale at

JACKSON'S GUN STORE,

108 Water St., Benton Harbor, Mich.

Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and that I will not be undersold by any dealer in South-western Michigan. Winchester repeating rifles all sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$14 each; see the old and new models. Quackenbush 22 calibre and other target guns; Winchester repeating shot gun, 6 shots, at \$17; one Parker Bros. double barrel shot gun, second-hand at \$20 and I have double barrel breech loading shot guns, both 10 and 12 gauge at \$7, \$9, \$11 and \$12 each; single barrel breech loaders, both new and second-hand at \$5, \$6 and \$7 each; muzzle loading shot guns at the lowest prices, loaded paper shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 25 cents per box. I have the Quik shot, Rivals and U. M. C. in large stock, so that you can be suited on shot sizes; a full and complete line of Winchester, Colts and Marlin rifle cartridges at winning prices; 26 different sizes of revolver cartridges. B. B. Roberts and Blanks, Latin & Rand's shot gun; rifle and blasting powder, smokeless powder for rifles and shot guns; shot gun fixtures; brass shells, loaded and unloaded; buck, common shot and bar lead; reloading tools for rifles and shot guns, cartridge belts and shell bags, hunting coats, vests and hats, canvas game bags and belts for hunters, powder flasks and shot pouches; primers, snipe, turkey and duck calls; shot gun shells loaded with smokeless powder, bowie knives and knives for hunters, pasteboard and felt wads, waterproof and G. D. gun caps. All kinds of new and second-hand revolvers. My leaders are 22 center fire at \$1.50, 32 and 38 center fire at \$1.75. These guns are all of the Bulldog pattern and they are all right. I am selling today the 32 and 38 center fire both blue and nickel, 5 and 6 shot rubber handle rifle barrel, fluted cylinder, break down, shell ejector, 4 1/2 inch barrel, Smith & Wesson pattern for \$4. You can have a large stock of Iver Johnson, Harrington & Richardson to select from. And how is that for a leader on guns? Holsters for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, dark lanterns for oon hunters and Newhouse traps for trappers; compasses, boxing gloves, iron and maple dumb bells, punching bags, foot balls, all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and knuckles, dog chains, collars and muzzles.

All Kinds of Shot Guns and Rifles to Rent by the Day or Week.

See my Marlin safety rifles of all sizes, air rifles and B. B. shot for air rifles, sling shots, rubber and anything that will shoot, you will find it at Jackson's. One 7x7 and 1 7x9 wedge tents for sale cheap. If you have got a good rifle, shot gun or revolver and want to sell it I will buy it. I have a large Colt revolver, 45 size at \$5, a Remington large 44 at \$6.

Unredeemed Gold and Silver watches of All Kinds.

Seventy-seven solid gold rings, banjos, guitars and violins at 1/4 first cost. Trading men look over my watch stock. I can always stock you up on bargains. I have dealt in fishing, hunting and sporting goods in Benton Harbor for 20 years. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold. SECOND-HAND BOOKS WANTED. I do not handle school books. After November 1st I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs, and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property, and I always have about 14 wagon loads of second-hand truck of all kinds for sale. I also cash the time checks of the Crouch Construction company.

CHAS. A. JACKSON Deals in Almost Everything.

G. W. Closson

thanks the public for their generous patronage during the past year, and wishes to announce that in connection with his

'BUS AND BAGGAGE

line, he has put on a

10 Cent Express

for the accommodation of all persons desiring such. Headquarters at Hotel Benton. Residence telephone, No. 111.

Business Change at Berrien Centre.

Berrien Centre, Dec. 14.—A. J. Ford, a business man from Mexico, Ind., has purchased a stock of hardware and will open up the Rutter store at Berrien Centre in the near future. Thomas Mars, who has been closing out the stock of general merchandise, has so reduced the stock that Mr. Ford can have possession of the store before January 1.

TWICE TOLD TALES.

No Meat Extracted from them by Some who most Need the Facts.

We have more than twice, told the reader, of the fact that he or she may perhaps easily discover the cause of the daily ill feeling and the experiment is not difficult to make.

But there are readers who think truths are for some one else and not for themselves.

Some day the oft told fact will flash upon us as applicable when the knowledge comes home, that day after day of inconvenience and perhaps of suffering has been endured, the cause not being recognized or believed, although we may have been told of the cause many times over, but never believed it applied to us.

It would startle a person to know how many people suffer because they drug themselves daily with coffee. We repeat it, it is a powerful drug, and so effects the delicate nervous system that disease may appear in any part of body, all parts being dependent for health, on a healthy nervous system.

Relief from coffee for 30 days has cured thousands of people who never suspected the cause of their troubles.

The use of Postum Food Coffee is of great benefit to such, as it goes to work directly to rebuild the delicate cell structures from the elements nature selects for the work. Relief from a heavy drug and the taking of proper nourishment is the true and only permanent method.

THE HENDERSON CASE.

A Unique Case Heard by Circuit
Court Commissioner St.
Clair Today.

DECISION UNDER ADVISEMENT

The Bondsmen Want To Be Re-
leased from Their Position on
the Henderson Bond.

A very unique case was argued today before Circuit Court Commissioner St. Clair of St. Joseph.

It was the case of Philip Umphrey vs James W. Henderson. Mr. Henderson had a real estate office in this city a year ago with an office at the Phoenix hotel. He caused the arrest of Philip Umphrey of Coloma. The latter was acquitted and then started proceedings against Henderson for damages for malicious prosecution. Henderson was bound to the circuit court in the sum of \$500, five good business men of this city going on his bond.

The circuit court jury rendered damages to Umphrey in the sum of \$250. The judgment was worthless as Henderson had no property and a body execution could not be had as Henderson got away to Chicago.

The bondsmen were worried and induced Henderson to come back. The plaintiff would not then accept Henderson's body to satisfy the judgment and the matter was very much mixed up.

At the hearing today Attorney James O'Hara represented the plaintiff. He wants the bondsmen to pay the \$250 judgment. Frank P. Graves represented the bondsmen and he asked that they be released as they had agreed to deliver Henderson, which they did. Prosecutor Valentine, who prosecuted the case, was present to see that justice was done.

Commissioner St. Clair reserved his decision.

OFF FOR FLORIDA.

Party of Six Left for De Funiak Springs
This Morning.

Belva McCrimmon, Roy McCrimmon, Mrs. D. R. McCrimmon, G. W. Squire and Mrs. G. W. Squire of South Haven and Theodore Clark of Pipestone township left over the Big Four this morning for De Funiak Springs, Florida where they will spend the winter.

BANK CLAIMS.

They Must Be Proven Before the First of
the Year.

Receiver Ainger of the First National bank desires everybody to understand that all claims of depositors or others against the bank must be proven before January 1.

A large number of people who have claims have not yet proven them and a longer delay may cause them inconvenience if not loss.

See Wallace Bros., 110 Pipestone street, for skates. t1672

MOVED TODAY.

W. P. Robbins Now Located in His
New Residence.

W. P. Robbins and family are now located in their new home on the corner of Pipestone and Division streets, which is probably the finest residence in the city. The house is not yet entirely completed.

It was the purpose of Mr. Robbins to move two weeks ago but by accident one of the hardwood floors in the house were flooded, causing delay.

AT THE BOTTOM.

Davis Will Have to Commence His Suit
Against Deam.

Because Justice Kimball was too sick to try a case this morning but not sick enough to remain away from his courtroom there is a little legal hitch which otherwise would not have occurred.

The justice had two cases. Mrs. Jackson by her attorney, Charles N. Sears, appeared in a suit to collect a \$178 board bill against H. D. Deam, vice president of the Tunnel road. This case was adjourned by consent until next Tuesday.

In the second case Treasurer Davies brought suit against Vice President Deam, and without the consent of the defendant or his attorney the court adjourned the case on his own motion. The law is such that the court had no power to adjourn the case without consent of the parties and had he remained away from court the case would have gone over two weeks without any action on the part of anyone. It will be necessary to start the case over again.

Attorney Cady thinks he has "one" on the court.

Attorney Bridgman, however, is of a different mind. He says that the case is adjourned to Dec. 23, and if Attorney Cady didn't understand that he consented to such adjournment the court so understood it. So it is doubtful who the "one" will be on after all.

THE WEATHER.

Rain tonight and Wednesday. North-east winds.

LUETGERT TRIAL.

It Began This Morning, the Jury
Having Been Secured.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—The second trial of Adolph Luetgert for the murder of his wife began this morning, the interest being about as intense as ever.

The culmination of two weeks' effort to secure a jury in the Luetgert trial, during which various court records have been broken, came last evening when the twelfth juror was sworn. Henry Boasberg of 2642 Wentworth avenue, a pressman employed by Donohue & Henneberry, acquired the distinction of surviving the ordeal which so many others had failed to endure, and was tendered to the state by Attorney Harmon after two hours of interrogation. Assistant State's Attorney McEwen accepted him with little delay, and he was sworn just before adjournment.

APOPLEXY.

MRS. LUCY M. DICKINSON OF ST.
JOSEPH STRICKEN.

Discovered Lying Upon the Floor in An
Unconscious Condition by Her
Daughter.

Mrs. Lucy M. Dickinson, a prominent St. Joseph society lady, wife of the late Hon. O. B. Dickinson, was stricken with apoplexy at her home on Niles avenue yesterday afternoon and is now very low.

The lady was discovered unconscious on the floor of her room by her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Husted, who summoned the servants in the house. Dr. Wilson was immediately summoned and took charge of the case. Mrs. Dickinson is past middle age and fears were at first expressed that the stroke would prove fatal but the doctors offer every hope that a recovery may be expected. Mrs. Dickinson for many years has been one of the most prominent society and club women in the city.

THE GALIEN WILL CASE.

Is Being Argued Before Probate Judge
Van Riper.

The contest over the will of James E. Patterson, late of Galien is being tried before Probate Judge Van Riper this afternoon.

Attorney A. C. Rowe of Buchanan is attorney for Mrs. Ruth Jones of Galien, and Mr. Gore for the contestant, Mrs. Caltha E. Brush, a daughter of the deceased.

Mileage Tickets to Washington.

The Vandalia line is now issuing at all their principal ticket offices the coupons of 1,000 mile interchangeable tickets of the Central Passenger association issue, exchange coupon tickets to Harrisburg, Baltimore and Washington at 2 cents per mile for short line distances.

F. R. HALE, agent,
St. Joseph.

Canadian Holiday Excursions.

The C. & W. M. and D. G. R. & W. railways will sell tickets on December 16, 17 and 18 to Canadian points at one way fare for round trip. All good to return until January 7, 1898. Ask agents for full information.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Leave orders for one of those extra fine pound boxes of mixed bon bon and chocolate. Christmas prices \$1.25

EDGAR NICHOLS.



Does He Smoke?

We mean your
Husband, Sweet-
heart, Brother or
Uncle.

If he does, call
and examine that
elegant line of

HOLIDAY PIPES

now on sale at

Dr. Fabry's Drug Store

110 Water Street...



STILL IN THE FRONT

With an always fresh, clean and superior
stock of Fresh and Salt Meats, Poultry,
Game and Oysters.

See our prices and compare them with
what you have been paying.

Rib Roast, -	9c	Sausage, home made, 8c
Roast of Beef, 5c to	8c	Smoked Ham, sliced, 14c
Fresh Side Pork, -	7c	Good Bacon, - 10c
Pork Steak, -	9c	Bologna, - - 7c
Pork Roasts, - -	9c	Frankforts, - 8c

Spare Ribs, 7c

Pure Lard, 8c.

The finest fresh Bulk Oysters at 30c a quart.

Our Meat Market is closed on Sundays. □

Rowe Bros.

The Meat Men..

130 Pipestone Street



Christmas is Coming..

And as a gentle hint in regard to presents
we would ask you to step into a first class

Crockery and China Store..

It is a certain fact that every lady takes an
unusual interest in

FINE CHINA..

Our assortment is new and complete and
our prices will enable you to buy two pres-
ents with the money you expected to spend
for one.

F. M. ROWE

137 Pipestone Street, Sweet Block..



Have Got to Move..

Before March 1 we must change our business location and we are
anxious to close out as much of our stock as possible before we move.
Our line of

Watches.
Diamonds,
Silverware and
Sterling
Silver Novelties.



Is the finest in this part of the state and the prices will hardly be
first cost of the goods.

Holiday Buyers

Are requested to inspect our stock and get prices before buying else-
where. We carry a large stock of Haviland and Delft China Ware
which must be sold quick.

TEETZEL & HAYDON

Reliable Jewelers, Jones & Sonner Block..

Enterprise Mercantile Co.

Hansen Block, 116 East Main Street.

Special Sale on Dress Goods

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Of This Week, December 16, 17 and 18

This will be a good chance to buy a fine dress cheap for
an Xmas present...

15c Dress Goods,	10c	25c Dress Goods,	19c
40c Dress Good,	29c	50c Dress Goods,	39c
60c Dress Goods,	46c	65c Dress Goods,	49c
75c Dress Goods,	59c	\$1.00 Dress Goods,	78c

This sale includes all the latest textures of the day—
Novelties, Mixtures, Brocades, Henriettas, Broad-
cloths and Cheviots...

Just Received, a line of Fancy Goods for the Holiday Trade.

Our Jackets and Millinery are selling at greatly reduced
prices. It will pay you to call and buy...

ENTERPRISE MERCANTILE CO.

..Other Dealers Follow Our Lead..

Beginning Wednesday Morning, December 1,

The following Prices on UNDERWEAR will take effect:

Children's, Misses' and Boys' Vests and Pants, sizes 16 to 34, from 11c to 30c.
Children's, Misses and Boys' Merino Vests and Pants, sizes 16 to 34, from 10c to 30c.
Boys' Heavy Fleece, all sizes, 25c.
Children's, Misses' and Boys' strictly all wool Vests and Pants, all sizes, 18c to 60c.
Ladies' fleeced lined Vests and Pants, 25c, 35c, 50c.
Ladies' fine ribbed all wool, 85c and \$1.00.
Ladies' extra weight, all wool flat goods, \$1.00 and \$1.25.
Ladies' extra weight, all wool scarlet goods, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, fleeced lined, 25c, 50c, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, half wool, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, Oneida, all wool, \$1.40 to \$3.00.
Ladies' equestrienne tights, all wool, black, \$1.00 and \$1.40.
Men's heavy merino, camel hair and natural random, at 25c.
The best fleeced lined in the market, 50c.
Heavy camel's hair, 69c.
Swiss-Combe, best made, \$1.00.
Outing flannels, 8c, worth 10c.

JAMES POUND

...112 E. MAIN ST. HULBURD BLOCK...



HIGH GRADE

is the word for our crockery. All who see it say so, and what all say is so every time. We select goods just as we advise our customers to buy—carefully and considerably. We study beauty and novelty of design, durability of ware, and popularity in prices. Utility has its triumph in our collection. From the finest china to ordinary ware in sets or odd pieces, we are the People's House. Our goods please, surprise, and satisfy.

Lamps

We are closing out at half price.

Groceries

**CORRECT WEIGHT,
FULL MEASURE,
PRIME QUALITY
AND..
FAIR PRICES**

Form our grocery quartet. What we sell is always up to par and our grocery list is as complete and comprehensive as the alphabet. An inspection of our stock always means the discovery of new possibilities for your bill of fare. The more familiar you are with our triumphant aggregation of food specialties the more attractive and tempting your table will be. Call, you won't be disappointed.

JOHN T. OWENS

..NEXT DOOR TO POSTOFFICE..

For Heating Stoves

...SEE THE...

PENINSULAR

W. H. BAKER..

124 Pipestone Street.

C. H. Soule

Will Give You a Few Cash Prices

Rock Candy drip syrup, per gal.	20c	1 can Tomatoes.....	07
19 lbs C Sugar.....	\$1.00	1 large bottle catsup.....	10
1 lb package corn starch.....	05	1 lb of cocoanut.....	15
Large bottle blueing.....	03	One half pound cocoanut.....	10
1 pkg white chip soap.....	05	1/2 pound Bakers chocolate.....	17
1 sack salt.....	03	1 package sweet chocolate.....	07
12 bars soap.....	25	Oat meal per package.....	08
Salt pork per pound.....	05	8 pounds of best oat meal.....	25
6 bars Ivory soap.....	25	1 gal oil can with wood jacket.....	10
1 lb crackers.....	05	1 lb Sal Soda.....	02
1 lb good coffee.....	10	1 lb Rice.....	05
1 lb of 50c tea for.....	33	1 pkg Arm & Hammer Saleratus.....	05
1 lb can Salmon.....	10	All kinds of pure spices, Cinnamon.....	
1 lb Raisins.....	06	Allspice, Cloves, Pepper, Mustard in	
1 lb of 60c tea for.....	45	pound lots.....	25
1 can of corn.....	07		

The above prices are for cash only and goods of the very best quality at live and let live prices. Watch this ad.

C. H. SOULE..

SAMSON'S FALL THE SUBJECT OF DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

Physical and Moral Giants Should Use Their Power In Doing Good—Misguided Strength May Work Great Evil—Christ Our Champion.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Taking the exciting story of Samson's fall as a suggestion, Dr. Talmage in this discourse shows how giants in body and mind or soul ought to be consecrated to good and great purposes. His text is Judges xiv, 1, "And Samson went down to Timnah."

There are two sides to the character of Samson. The one phase of his life, if followed into the particulars, would administer to the grotesque and marvellous. But there is a phase of his character fraught with lessons of solemn and eternal import. To these graver lessons we devote our sermon. This giant no doubt in early life gave evidences of what he was to be. It is almost always so. There were two Napoleons—the boy Napoleon and the man Napoleon—but both alike; two Howards—the boy Howard and the man Howard—but both alike; two Samsons—the boy Samson and the man Samson—but both alike. This giant was no doubt the hero of the playground, and nothing could stand before his exhibitions of youthful prowess. At 18 years of age he was betrothed to the daughter of a Philistine. Going down toward Timnah a lion came upon him, and although this young giant was weaponless, he seized the monster by the long mane and shook him as a hungry hound shakes a March hare and made his bones crack, and left him by the wayside bleeding under the smiting of his fist and the grinding left of his heel.

There he stands, looming up above other men, a mountain of flesh, his arms bunched with muscle that can lift the gate of a city, taking an attitude defiant of everything. His hair had never been cut, and it rolled down in seven great plaits over his shoulders, adding to his bulk, fierceness and terror. The Philistines want to conquer him, and therefore they must find out where the secret of his strength lies.

Wiles of Delilah.

There is a dissolute woman living in the valley of Sorek of the name of Delilah. They appoint her the agent in the case. The Philistines are secreted in the same building, and then Delilah goes to work and coaxes Samson to tell what is the secret of his strength. "Well," he says, "if you should take seven green withes, such as they fasten wild beasts with, and put them around me I should be perfectly powerless." So she binds him with the seven green withes. Then she claps her hands and says, "They come—the Philistines!" and he walks out as though they were no impediment. She coaxes him again and says, "Now tell me the secret of this great strength," and he replies, "If you should take some ropes that have never been used and tie me with them, I should be just like other men." She ties him with the ropes, claps her hands and shouts, "They come—the Philistines!" He walks out as easily as he did before—not a single obstruction. She coaxes him again, and he says, "Now, if you should take these seven long plaits of hair and by this house loom weave them into a web, I could not get away." So the house loom is rolled up, and the shuttle flies backward and forward, and the long plaits of hair are woven into a web. Then she claps her hands and says, "They come—the Philistines!" He walks out as easily as he did before, dragging a part of the loom with him.

But after awhile she persuaded him to tell the truth. He says, "If you should take a razor or shears and cut off this long hair, I should be powerless and in the hands of my enemies." Samson sleeps, and that she may not wake him up during the process of shearing help is called in. You know that the barbers of the east have such a skillful way of manipulating the head to this very day that instead of waking up a sleeping man they will put a man wide awake sound asleep. I hear the blades of the shears grinding against each other, and I see the long locks falling off. The shears or razor accomplishes what green withes and new ropes and house loom could not do. Suddenly she claps her hands and says, "The Philistines be upon thee, Samson!" He rouses up with a struggle, but his strength is all gone. He is in the hands of his enemies.

I hear the groan of the giant as they take his eyes out, and then I see him staggering on in his blindness, feeling his way as he goes on toward Gaza. The prison door is open, and the giant is thrust in. He sits down and puts his hand on the mill crank, which, with exhausting horizontal motion, goes day after day, week after week, month after month—work, work, work. The consternation of the world in captivity, his locks shorn, his eyes punctured, grinding corn in Gaza.

Physical and Moral Power.

First of all, behold in this giant of the text that physical power is not always an index of moral power. He was a huge man. The lion found it out, and the 3,000 men whom he slew found it out. Yet he was the subject of petty revenges and out-gianted by low passion. I am far from throwing any discredit upon physical stamina. There are those who seem to have great admiration for dexterity and skillfulness of constitution. I never could see any glory in weak nerves or sick headache. Whatever effort in our day is made to make the men and women more robust should have the favor of every good citizen as well as of every Christian. Gymnastics may be positively religious.

Good people sometimes ascribe to a wicked heart what they ought to ascribe to a slow liver. The body and the soul are such near neighbors that they often catch each other's diseases. Those who never saw a sick day, and who, like Hercules, show the giant in the cradle, have more to answer for than those who are the subjects of lifelong infirmities. He who can lift twice as much as you can and walk twice as far and work twice as long will have a double account to meet in the judgment.

Do Something.

How often is it that you do not find physical energy indicative of spiritual power? A clear head is worth more than a cloudy one with perpetual vertigo, if muscle and the play of health in them are worth more than those drawn up in chronic rheumatism. If an eye quick to catch passing objects is better than one with vision dim and uncertain, then God will require of us efficiency just in proportion to what he has given us. Physical energy ought to be a type of moral power. We ought to have as good digestion of truth as we have capacity to assimilate food. Our spiritual hearing ought to be as good as our physical hearing. Our spiritual taste ought to be as clear as our tongue. Samson's

money might and use their intelligence, might, how few men you find aware of the fact that they ought to use their physical organism aright! With every thump of the heart there is something saying, "Work, work!" and lest we should complain that we have no tools to work with, God gives us our hands and feet, with every knuckle, and with every joint, and with every muscle, saying to us, "Lay hold and do something."

But how often it is that men with physical strength do not serve Christ! They are like a ship full manned and full rigged, capable of vast tonnage, able to endure all stress of weather, yet swinging idly at the docks, when these men ought to be crossing and re-crossing the great ocean of human suffering and sin with God's supplies of mercy. How often it is that physical strength is used in doing positive damage or in luxurious ease when, with sleeves rolled up and bronzed bosom, fearless of the shafts of opposition, it ought to be laying hold with all its might and tugging away to lift up this sunken wreck of a world.

A Shameless Fact.

It is a most shameless fact that much of the business of the church and of the world must be done by those comparatively invalid. Richard Baxter, by reason of his diseases, all his days sitting in the door of the tomb, yet writing more than a hundred volumes and sending out an influence for God that will endure as long as the "Saints' Everlasting Rest." Edward Payson, never knowing a well day, yet how he preached, and how he wrote, helping thousands of dying souls like himself to "swim in a sea of glory." And Robert McChesney, a walking skeleton, yet you know what he did in Dundee, and how he shook Scotland with zeal for God. Philip Doddridge, advised by his friends, because of his illness, not to enter the ministry, yet you know what he did for the "rise and progress of religion" in the church and in the world.

Wilberforce was told by his doctors that he could not live a fortnight, yet at that very time entering upon philanthropic enterprises that demanded the greatest endurance and persistence. Robert Hall, suffering excruciations, so that often in his pulpit while preaching he would stop and lie down on a sofa, then getting up again to preach about heaven, until the glories of the celestial city dropped on the multitude, doing more work perhaps than almost any well man in his day.

Oh, how often it is that men with great physical endurance are not so great in moral and spiritual stature! While there are achievements for those who are bent all their days with sickness—achievements of patience, achievements of Christian endurance—call upon men of health today, men of muscle, men of nerve, men of physical power, to devote themselves to the Lord. Giants in body, you ought to be giants in soul.

Behold also in the story of my text illustration of the damage that strength can do if it be misguided. It seems to me that this man spent a great deal of his time in doing evil, this Samson of my text. To pay a bet which he had lost by guessing of his riddle he robs and kills 30 people. He was not only gigantic in strength, but gigantic in mischief and a type of those men in all ages of the world who, powerful in body or mind or any faculty of social position or wealth, have used their strength for iniquitous purposes.

Misguided Giants.

It is not the small, weak men of the day who do the damage. These small men who go swearing and looting about your stores and shops and banking houses assailing Christ and the Bible and the church. They do not do the damage. They have no influence. They are vermin that you crush with your foot. But it is the giants of the day, the misguided giants, giants in physical power, or giants in mental acumen, or giants in social position, or giants in wealth, who do the damage. The men with sharp pens that stab religion and throw their poison all through our literature; the men who use the power of wealth to sanction iniquity, and bribe justice, and make truth and honor bow to their golden scepter. Misguided giants. Look out for them. In the middle and latter part of the last century no doubt there were thousands of men in Paris and Edinburgh and London who hated God and blasphemed the name of the Almighty, but they did but little mischief. They were small men, insignificant men. Yet there were giants in those days.

Who can calculate the soul havoc of a Rousseau, going on with a very enthusiasm of iniquity, with fiery imagination seizing upon all the impulsive natures of his day, or David Hume, who employed his life as a spider employs its summer in spinning out silken webs to trap the unwary, or Voltaire, the most learned man of his day, marshaling a great host of skeptics, and leading them out in the dark land of infidelity, or Gibbon, who showed an uncontrollable grudge against religion in his history of one of the most fascinating periods of the world's existence—the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire, a book in which, with all the splendors of his genius, he magnified the errors of Christian disciples, while, with a sparseness of notice that never can be forgiven he treated of the Christian heroes of whom the world was not worthy?

Bad Influences Abroad.

Oh, men of stout physical health, men of great mental stature, men of high social position, men of great power of any sort, I want you to understand your power, and I want you to know that that power devoted to God will be a crown on earth, to you typical of a crown in heaven, but misguided, bedraggled in sin, administrative of evil, God will thunder against you with his condemnation in the day when millions of pauper, master and slave, king and subject, shall stand side by side in the judgment, and money bags, and judicial ermine, and royal robe shall be riven with the lightning!

Behold also how a giant may be slain! Delilah started the train of circumstances that pulled down the temple of Dagon about Samson's ears. And tens of thousands of giants have gone down to death and hell through the same impure fascinations. It seems to me that it is high time that pulpit and platform and printing press speak out against the impurities of modern society. Fastidiousness and prudery say: "Better not speak. You will cause adverse criticism. You will make worse what you want to make better. Better deal in glittering generalities. The subject is too delicate for polite ears." But there comes a voice from heaven overpowering the mincing sentimentalities of the day, saying, "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet and show my people their transgression and the house of Jacob their sins."

The trouble is that when people write or speak upon this theme they are apt to cover it up with the graces of belletrist.

Pills
Cure all liver, bile, biliousness, headache, sour stomach, indigestion, constipation, or any act easily, with one or more pills. Sold by all druggists. 25 cents. The only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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WANTED—GIRL OR WOMAN TO DO kitchen work, no washing or ironing. Good wages to right party. 119 Brunson avenue. 01680

WANTED—POSIT ON BY EXPERT bookkeeper to work evenings. Address Bookkeeper, care of News. 01681

WANTED—LADIES AND GENTLEMEN to know that they can be properly fitted with gold mounted glasses, at greatly reduced prices, for the holidays. R. W. Baker, Optician, Bowman block. 01680

WANTED—TO SELL OR TRADE FOR real estate or merchandise, any interest in Hotel Higbee. A chance for someone at once. Reasons, ill health. Enquire at hotel.

WANTED—D. W. LEWIS IS NOW WITH us and will make keys for any lock, repair any kind of gun, fix anything to bicycles, and we are now prepared to do any kind of repairing. If you have anything to repair, bring it to the Yellow Front Bargain Store, prices right.

WANTED—AT ONCE GOOD SECOND hand Bass horn. Must be cheap for cash. Call at this office. 01683

WANTED—WE WANT EVERYBODY to know that we do everything in repairing and that we have for sale everything in new and second hand goods. We buy, sell or exchange, or sell on commission, anything at bargain prices, and guarantee to please you at Yellow Front Bargain Store.

FOR SALE OR FOR RENT

FOR SALE—A SPAN OF WELL MATCHED black, 4 year old mares, harness, and lumber wagon, plow, drag, buggy and light harness. Enquire H. L. Nelson, 145 Hickcourt st. 01680

TO RENT—FIVE ROOMS ON SIXTH ST. Call at 133 Sixth St. 01681

FOR SALE—BALED HAY, AT 50 CENTS per cwt., and straw at 22 cents per bale. Enquire of B. H. Westcott, at farmers' sheds and feed barn, seventh street. 01676

FOR SALE—SIX ROOM COTTAGE, BARN, hen house, fence, good cellar, elstern, etc. two lots each 50x125, on Colfax avenue near Empire. If you want a bargain in a home better look this up as owner will move west and is bound to sell at some price. Address Box 101, Postoffice, city. 01687

HOUSE FOR RENT ON HIGH STREET Will rent until April 1 for 10 per month 01681

ROOM FOR RENT—OVER MY BOOT AND shoe store. It quire of W. L. Hogue 01681

FOR SALE—WE CAN SUPPLY YOU WITH stoves, bedsteads, springs, chairs, couches, desks, side boards, framed pictures, bed room sets, and in fact anything to keep house with. We buy, sell or exchange almost anything. Come to Yellow Front Bargain Store. 01682

FOR SALE—GOOD SEWING MACHINE \$3.00. Hand lamps all complete, 11 cents. Canned fruit in glass cans 15c. Ladies' jackets 50c. hanging lamps complete, \$1. Feather pillows \$1.50 pair. We have everything you can think of, the cheapest at Yellow Front Bargain store.

FOR RENT—ONE OF THE FINEST flats in the Mills block C W Schriver, West Michigan Nurseries. 01683

40 ACRE FARM WITH HOUSE AND BARN about 1,000 peach and other fruit trees to trade for clear Benton Harbor property, improved or vacant. Rounds & Warner. 01681

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS WITH or without board. 214 Pipestone street. 02611

FOR RENT—10 ROOM HOUSE, HIGHLAND avenue, hot and cold water, bath, and barn. One block from new car line. Rent \$10. C. K. Farmer. 01625

Holiday Excursions Via vandalia Line.

For the holidays the Vandalia line will sell excursion tickets at reduced fares from all stations, to local points on its own line, and also to points on connecting lines. For full particulars call on nearest Vandalia line ticket agent or address E. A. FORD, General passenger agent, St. Louis, Mo.

DOWN AN ELEVATOR.

Lady Guest at Hotel Whitcomb Falls
Fifteen Feet Through an
Elevator Shaft.

MAY PROVE QUITE SERIOUS.

Victim is Mrs. R. H. Hotchkiss, Who
Is Very Prominent in So-
ciety Circles.

The guests of the Hotel Whitcomb were startled at 5 o'clock last night to hear a terrified woman's scream. Rushing to the elevator shaft from whence the sounds seemed to proceed they saw Mrs. R. H. Hotchkiss lying at the bottom of the shaft in an insensible condition. Several gentlemen at once rushed to the basement and reaching the bottom of the shaft carefully carried the injured woman to the nearest room. Dr. Scott was immediately called and announced that two ribs were broken and the collar bone dislocated. There is not much change in Mrs. Hotchkiss's condition today as the shock was a terrible one and in some cases recovery might be doubtful.

Mrs. Hotchkiss was seen to go toward the elevator as was her custom to go up to her family apartments on the third floor. Thinking that the elevator was in waiting, she stepped through the door and fell heavily to the bottom of the shaft, a distance of 15 feet striking a cross beam at the bottom. Mrs. Hotchkiss is a prominent lady in social circles and is spending the winter at the Hotel Whitcomb with her husband who is president of the Metalline Lubricating company of St. Joseph.

FIRE AT POUND'S.

Goods Valued at \$125 Were Destroyed
Early Last Evening.

Last evening, Charles Forster, clerk at James Pound's dry goods store, was trimming one of the show windows with furs, lace curtains, fancy handkerchiefs and other goods when in arranging some lace curtains near the gas jet they caught fire and soon the entire window was in flames. By prompt action of Mr. Forster, Mr. Pound and the bystanders the flames were stamped out without the aid of water. Mr. Pound estimates the loss at \$125, which is covered by insurance.

GONE TO VIRGINIA.

Robert Busby Left for the Sunny South
This Morning.

Robert Busby left this morning for Virginia to prove his claim to quite a sum of money recently left to him by his old master.

Mr. Busby was a slave for many years of a man named Noys. When Mr. Noys died a few years ago he left his old slave some money, just how much Mr. Busby does not know. The lawyers advertised far and wide for Busby for over two years but could not find him until

last summer when a friend of Mr. Busby's chanced to see the advertisement and at once told him. It was intimated in the letter received by Mr. Busby from the attorneys that the amount left him would reach \$50,000.

A FINE HOME.

NEW RESIDENCE OF MRS. J. J.
STORRER COMPLETED.

A Model Home at a Cost of \$2,500,
Not Including the Price of the
Lot.

Contractor D. R. McClure has just completed a \$2,500 residence for Mrs. J. J. Storror, at 412 Pipestone street, and that lady moved into her new home yesterday.

The residence is a model for the money expended. It is plain on the outside without unnecessary ornaments. The cost is put on the interior of the house, put in hardwood floors, an improved ventilator and in the plumbing. The house has a large hall with a colonial staircase, a parlor, dining room, bedroom, large kitchen, bathroom and woodshed on the first floor, and three chambers, a bathroom and large attic upstairs.

The entire building is heated by a Buffalo furnace put in by F. H. Mills. The kitchen is supplied with a large gas range to which is attached a water heater for the bath. Instead of a fire place is a little gas stove in the dining room which looks very much like a fireplace and has all the comfort and cheer of the latter without the smoke and dirt.

The plumbing in the house was done by B. L. Hall and the painting by Mr. Edwards.

A FINE DISPLAY.

W. E. Kennedy, the Jeweler, Has an At-
tractive Show Window.

The public has grown accustomed to look for something out of the ordinary in the way of window decorations for Christmas at the jewelry store of W. E. Kennedy.

This year Mr. Kennedy has one of the finest windows he has ever had and it is attracting much attention. The window is decorated in white and green. Standing back are huge pillars of white upon which rests a beautiful arch, around the base of the pillars are wreaths of holly and festooned around the arch are pretty sprays of southern moss. In pretty jardiniere are bouquets of cut flowers such as roses, chrysanthemums, etc. In the window is displayed all manner of the latest novelties in silver and gold.

It will repay you to look in as you go by.

Advertised Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining
in this office for the week ending
December 14, 1897:

LADIES	GENTLEMEN
Dani, Mrs. Minnie	Marven, W. J.
Hipp, Mrs. E.	Moor, Peter
Johnson, Miss Maud	Moor, Edith C.
McClay, Mrs. Ned	Moor, Thos.
McClay, Mrs. Ned	Nichols, Mr. William
McClay, Mrs. Ned	Palmer, Walter
Milste, Mrs. C. R.	Raeodon, Mr. W. J.
Proctor, Mrs. Mary	Schear, W. A.
	Schmidt, Mr. Joseph
	Vanstory, C. W.
	Lay, Ezra

When calling for these letters please
say "advertised."
H. R. HUNTINGTON, P. M.

HOW HE DOES IT.

ILLINOIS MAN EXPLAINS HOW HE
MAKES HARD COAL.

Soft Coal May Be Converted Into An-
thracite at Comparatively Small
Expense.

Charles W. Smith, the Moline, Illi-
nois man, who has made a startling
discovery for converting soft coal into
anthracite, explains his process as fol-
lows:

The apparatus consists of a furnace,
sixteen feet in diameter. The soft coal
garage, or other waste matter is fed
into a hopper at the top. The furnace
is round, with a corrugated sloping
hearth, in the center of which is a re-
volving shaft with arms having iron
brushes. The coal falls upon the
hearth, striking a temperature of 70
degrees Fahrenheit. It is moved
around the hearth and then is gradu-
ally forced downward, undergoing
various degrees of heat, but not sufficient
to cause decomposition. It requires
from thirty to ninety minutes, accord-
ing to the condition of the coal to pass
from the hopper to the bin be-
low, where it lies until cool
enough to be taken out. At
this stage it is of the consistency
of corn meal and is jet black.
From the cooling bin it passes to a
"mixer," is subjected to additional
heat, and after thoroughly mixed is sub-
jected automatically to a pressure of
from 1,200 to 2,000 pounds to the square
inch. It is then turned out in various
sizes similar to anthracite coal, and
possessing all its properties. While
the soft coal, or garbage, sawdust, etc.,
are in the furnace the gas is extracted,
and stored in tanks for future use. Sul-
phur, tar, ammonia, water and creosote
are all eliminated. It requires only
two tons of soft coal to start the fur-
nace. Gas is produced for supplying
the heat thereafter, with an excess of
several thousand feet per day. Fifty
tons of common slack coal will produce
thirty tons of "eggallite," which has
been thoroughly tested in all kinds of
stoves and furnaces, also in forges. The
product is solid and not like coke in any
particular.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All drug-
gists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.
The genuine has L. B. P. on each tablet.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14—Comparative clos-
ing prices on wheat for two days.

	Dec. 9	Dec. 11
Wheat—December.....	\$ 99 1/2	\$1.04 1/2
January.....	93 1/2	93 1/2
May.....	91 1/2	91 1/2
Corn—December.....	25 1/2	25 1/2
January.....	25 1/2	25 1/2
May.....	28 1/2	28 1/2
Oats—December.....	22 1/2	22 1/2
May.....	22 1/2	22 1/2

Pile Terrors Swept Away.—Dr. Agnew's
Ointment stands at the head as a reliever, healer
and sure cure for Piles in all forms. One ap-
plication will give comfort in a few minutes,
and three to six days' application according to
directions will cure chronic cases. It relieves
all itching and burning skin diseases in a day.
35 cents. Sold by Geo. M. Bell & Co.—67.

FIVE DOLLARS IN CASH.

School Dreams Company Will Give that
Sum Away.

The School Dreams Publishing com-
pany have been giving away watches,
dictionaries, books, etc., to advertise
School Dreams, a fine magazine. Now
they have to offer \$5 in cash. Follow-
ing are seven lists of letters, out of
which can be spelled the names of
seven large American cities: IAHCOGC
equal CHICAGO and so on. Here are
the lists:

IAHCOGC IEDOTIT
HITONGSNAW SEWORNELNA
KONERYW NASARFICNOSC
SOTOBN

Can you solve them? If so you will
be lucky. Send in your list. To the
sender of the correct solution we will
send \$5 in cash. No fake. The money
will be sent. If more than one correct
list is received the money will be
divided between the senders of the
five nearest lists. Send all lists by
mail and as early as possible. With
every list enclose 10 cents for a three
months' subscription to School Dreams,
the only magazine published in Ber-
rien county. Send in as many lists as
you desire, enclosing 10 cents with
each list. Contest closes December 14.
School Dreams Publishing company
Dept. A., Benton Harbor, 121075

Lister's Bone Meal.

This famous bone meal which has
stood the test of years may be obtained
by leaving orders with H. P. Boehm,
Benton Harbor, or with the general
agent.

10681 C. H. FARNUM, Hagar.

J. G. B. ASTENIUS, the tuner from
Chicago, will be in Benton Harbor on
or about December 13. Leaves orders
early, either at Mrs. F. B. Cary's music
studio or postoffice box 1134. Mr. As-
tenius is taking the place of his brother
during the month of December.
He will stop at Hotel Benton.

Suits made to order for \$15 and up-
wards and pants from \$3.50 upwards at
Joe Hansen's the tailor. 632tf

Holiday Excursion Rates.

For Christmas and New Year holi-
days, C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W.
Ry. agents will sell tickets at one and
one-third fare to stations in Michigan,
Ohio and Indiana. Selling dates Decem-
ber 24, 25, 31, and January 1. Re-
turn limit January 4.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Smoke the "Columbia" 5 cent cigar.

Care for your friends on Christmas Day
It cheers them up, it's sure to pay,
If not they seem to disappear,
And by this time another year
You won't have any.

So you see it's a serious matter. But we understand the case,
know what to do and never charge for counsel...

Mahogany Finished, Leather Upholstered Chairs and Rockers

Are the latest..

Most Stylish,
Durable
and Handsome

of any thing in
any market..

We have them
from

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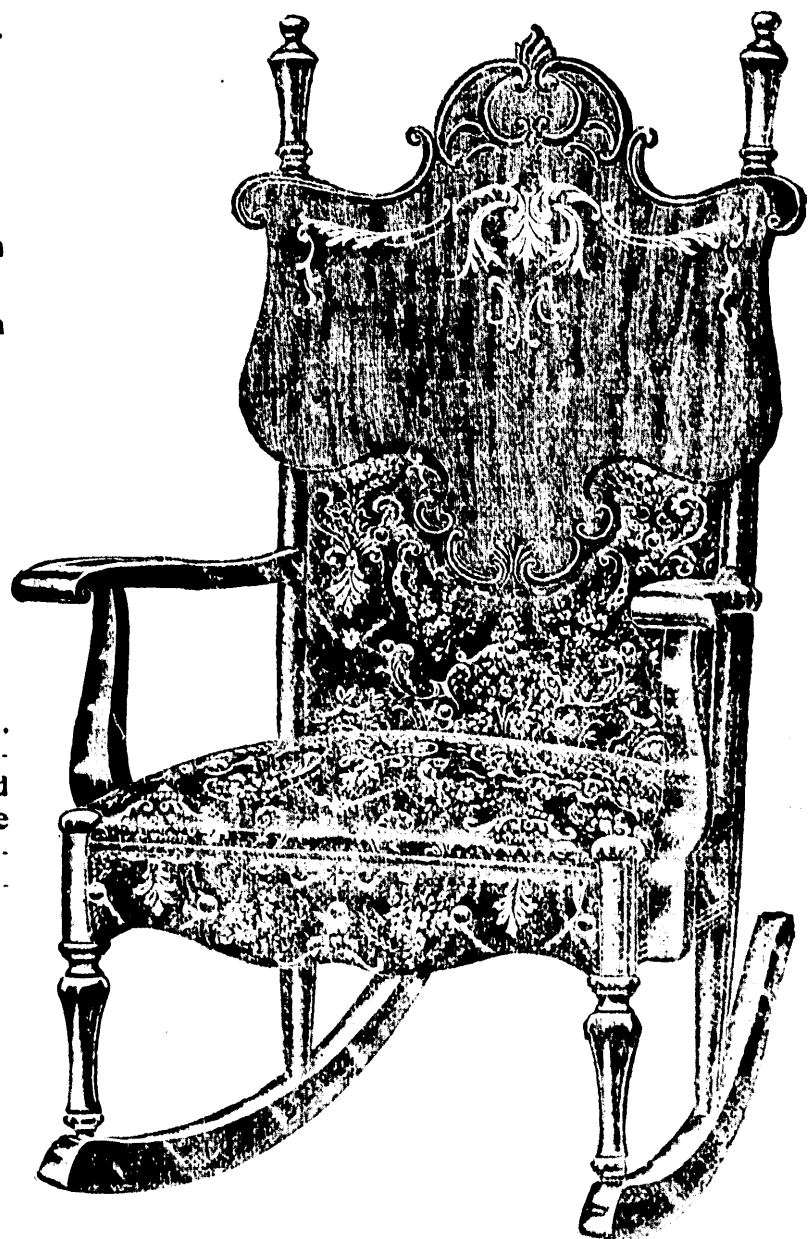
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Center Tables

In Mahogany,
Birch, Hungar-
ian, Ash and
Oak. Malachite
Crimson, Ma-
hogany and Co-
cobo finish.

Beautiful Lamps,
Toilet Sets,
Rugs,
Draperies and
Lace Curtains...



All roads, paths and walks, whether muddy, rough or smooth,
lead to our store, and all who want the best will travel them
in the next two weeks.

107 E Main St. C. J. PECK Benton Harbor.

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..Glassware Sale..

Saturday, Dec. 18, we
will sell any glass dish
in our store for 7c.

Bradford's Bazar

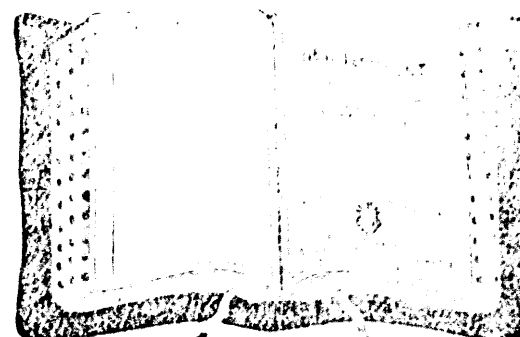
140 Pipestone St.

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out your Bible and have it laid away for Christmas.

Special Prices Given to Sunday School Teachers.
Call and look them over.

J. A. SHEFFIELD & SON

DRUGGISTS AND BOOKSELLERS..

115 PIPESTONE STREET

The Weather Has Changed

CALL ON THE

UNION ICE & COAL COMPANY

For your winter's

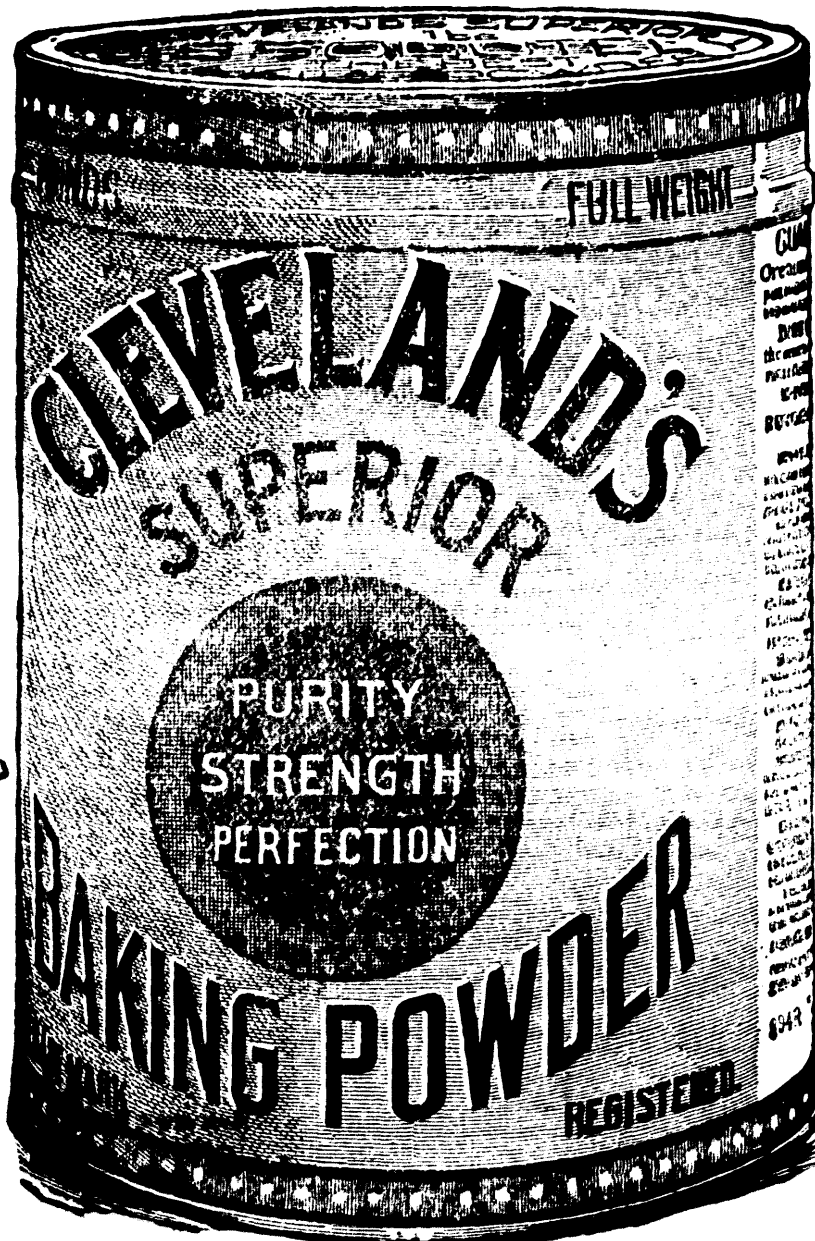
supply of

COAL Lehigh Valley, Anthracite
and all kinds of Soft Coal

Hard and Soft Wood Always on Hand.

LEAVE ORDERS AT A. H. CONKEY & SON'S GROCERY STORE.

Telephone 175



Note the
Centerpiece.

It does the work just right every time.
That's why all the leading teachers of
cookery use and recommend it.

Office: 142 Pipestone Street.

Entered at the postoffice at Benton Harbor as second class matter.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

Delivered in Benton Harbor or St. Joseph.
One year, - - - - - \$3 00
One month, - - - - - 25
One week, - - - - - 6
By Mail—One year, \$2.50 in advance; one month, 25 cents.
The Weekly News, - - - \$1.00 a year

TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.

TUESDAY, DEC. 14, 1897.

GENERAL Weyler announces that he would like to lick the United States. We don't doubt it.

THE defense in the Luetgert case is so particular that it is doubtful if even Mrs. Luetgert will be allowed to testify.

HOLIDAY shoppers will find it time well spent to study the advertisements in THE EVENING NEWS before starting out on their purchasing tours.

It is quietly stated that some of our prominent citizens are more afraid of telling what they know of prize fights for fear of "incriminating" themselves than they are of attending such entertainments.

IF all the loans of the defunct First National bank turn out as well as the money it had in the Buss machine plant the depositors will not only get their cash in full, but interest on their deposits as well. So may it be—but it won't.

REGARDING the bill of congressman Smith to deprive young widows of pensions the Detroit Journal says: "The revolutionary soldiers were discharged from the army in 1785. Those who survived for 50 years after that period might very well make matrimonial alliances down to the beginning of the '40s; a few of them after that period. The records show instances of this fact, and they were mostly with young women. In cases of that kind there would be found still alive, under 80 years of age and drawing pensions, widows of revolutionary soldiers, although the war of the revolution closed 114 years ago."

SENATOR Burrows is reported to be working with some prospect of success for the location of the government armor plate factory in this city. This is a rather questionable service to Ben-

ton also the armor plant, a public building and something else. All the pressure possible to exert should be used in getting the needed money for the harbor, and then other enterprises will come unsought. There are other places in the United States besides Benton Harbor and this should be remembered. By dividing the fire it is possible to lose the needed harbor appropriation and there is little show of getting the armor plant anyway.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the disease portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best

J. G. B. ASTENIUS, the tuner from Chicago, will be in Benton Harbor on or about December, 13. Leaves orders early, either at Mrs. F. B. Cary's music studio or postoffice box 1134. Mr. Astenius is taking the place of his brother during the month of December. He will stop at Hotel Benton.

Suits made to order for \$15 and upwards and pants from \$3.50 upwards at Joe Hansen's the tailor. 632tf

Three pianos must be sold before I leave the city, regardless of cost. Call at Bowman's music store and see. 676tf F. H. FRAZELL.

Get one of those \$15 suits of Joe Hansen, the tailor, he guarantees them to give perfect satisfaction.

Smoke the "Columbia" 5cent cigar.

Have you seen Wallace Bros.' fine line of candy, 110 Pipestone street?

Wallace Bros.' candy maker makes fresh taffy every day. tf672

Ask for the "Columbia" cigar.

Ask for "Our Congressman" cigar.

Tri-Weekly to Chicago.

The steamer City of Duluth will leave Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings for Chicago. Fare each way, including berth, \$1.

GRAHAM & MORTON TRANS. CO.

25 Per Cent Off

Having bought the complete sample line of

BENJAMIN & CASPARY'S

Ladies' Jackets, Capes, Russian Blouses, Misses' Reefers, Children's Long Coats, at twenty-five per cent less than wholesale price, we can show the most complete assortment to be found and save you 25 per cent on every garment.

SHEPARD & BENNING

ST. JOSEPH, MICH.

Bicycles are going at cost at Burk hard's this week. 633tf

Joe Hansen, the tailor, offers a special good bargain in an all wool, heavy weight, imported clays worsted suit for only \$22. Call and see them.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure 50c \$1 All druggists

The Enterprise laundry is now ready for business. Try them for fine work. tf603

The news service of The Chicago Chronicle is complete. Those who have not read this model newspaper lately should send for a sample copy. They are cheerfully sent free

Old papers for sale at this office.



The New Grocery

IN THE NEW YORK BLOCK.

Having opened a first-class grocery store at the corner of Territorial and Sixth street, I would be pleased to have a share of the public patronage. New goods, fresh and clean, bought for cash and will be sold at a small profit.

DAVE RYAN, the popular groceryman, can be found behind the counter.

R. W. RILEY



The Globe Store
...113 W. Main St.



ENDERS & YOUNG

Cutting Prices, Clearing the Tables and Shelves

To close the doors. Less than 30 days left in which to move the remaining stock that is still large and unbroken in many lines. Big losses on Overcoats, Ulsters, Winter Suitings, Pants, Caps, Shoes and everything in the line of wearing apparel.

- 25 Men's black wool ulsters, all sizes, wool lined, extra heavy weight, were \$8.00 \$5 00 marked down to \$6.50, now going at
- 40 Men's black and blue wool beaver overcoats, all sizes, this year's production, velvet collars, were \$8.50 each, now going at \$5 00
- 40 Men's all wool suits, small sizes only, both frocks and sacks, mostly dark colors, unparalleled values, were \$12.50 to \$18 each, now going at \$3 00
- 24 pairs Men's shell Cordovan shoes, the very best make, all sizes, exceptional values at \$5.00, now \$2 79
- 75 Boys' knee pant suits, sizes 4 to 10, heavy weight, dark colors, assorted patterns, were \$3.00 to \$7.50, now \$1 75
- 72 pairs Ladies' Vici kid button shoes, both plain and patent leather tips, were \$1.25 per pair, now going at 90c
- 16 pairs Ladies' Dongola kid button shoes, all sizes, exceptionally fine made by Thomas G. Plant & Co., worth \$4.00, now \$2 25

The above bargains are **STRIKING MONEY SAVERS** that stand unparalleled in history and they will last but a few days more.

The Globe Store

113 West Main Street,

Benton Harbor, Mich.



Floral Co.

Having extensive green-houses we can supply

..Cut Flowers

in any quantity at all times. Likewise a general collection of decorating plants. Designs for funerals, weddings and parties a specialty.

J. H. BRUMBY,

Manager.

Cor. Elm and Eighth Sts.

W. W. CHESLEY

The Clothing
..Renovator and Dyer..

110 Pipestone, Under Wallace Bros.

is now prepared to do all kinds of Cleaning and Repairing, both ladies' and gents'. First class work. Now is the time to have your clothing put in order for winter. Overcoats and Suits made to look like new. Try it and save the price of a new suit.

DYEING A SPECIALTY.
ALSO CARPETS CLEANED.

Benton Harbor Bicycle Works

All kinds of repairing done on short notice. General machine repairs a specialty. Skates sharpened. Bicycles cleaned, re-enamelled and generally overhauled. Special prices on this class of work if brought in before February 1, 1898.

A. F. SCHROELZ, Prop.

Mrs. L. M. Fitch

..HAIR EMPORIUM..

Latest Designs in Hair Jewelry.

All work artistically made.

Parlors 7, Sweet Bl'k.

MRS. LAURA ELDRED

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PIANO and ORGAN

STUDIO: GRAHAM BLOCK.

Over Morrow & Stone's.

MRS. L. HURLBUT

..HAIRDRESSER..

Room 12, JONES & SONNER BLOCK.

Switches from 75c to \$20.

Telephone No. 205 orders for work at rooms or house.

Buy Your Meats

—OP—

G. J. WENNINGER

..Successor to Wenninger & Totzke..

...Good Meats...

Good Service Guaranteed.

**We make a specialty of
our Home Made
Sausages.**

Twin City Telephone No. 25.

..THE..

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118 W. Main Street,

Avery Building,

Opposite Farmers and Merchants Bank

**We earned a reputation as the Bargain
Center in Berrien County by selling
honest merchandise at lowest
prices.**

A FEW OF OUR PRICES:

Men's good wearing Shoes, with
double soles, worth \$1.50, our price **75c**

Ladies' Fine Walking Shoes..... **75c**

Best Ladies Fine Shoes, worth \$2.50
and \$3.00, our price..... **\$1.50**

Men's good every day suits..... **\$2.00**

Men's Fine Wool Suits..... **\$3.50**

Men's best all wool Black Clay
Worsted Suits, worth \$10 and \$12
our price only..... **\$6.48**

Boys' good wearing Shoes..... **75c**

Boys' good wearing Suits..... **75c**

Boys' all wool Knee Pants, fully
worth 50c and 75c..... **25c**

**Tinware, Glasware and Notions at
wonderfully low prices.**

Call, examine our goods and prices
and be convinced.

..The Leader Store

..Joseph Weller..

the meat market man at the corner of
Pipestone street and Britain avenue
has a fine assortment of **FRESH AND
SALT MEATS, POULTRY, GAME** and
in fact everything found in a first-
class market.



LOCAL BREVITIES.

UNIVERSALIST fair this week.

THE School Dreams contest will not
close until next Saturday.

THE damage case of Patterson, the
printer, vs Danforth has been dropped.

AN expert bookkeeper would like to
get a position to work evenings. See
our want column.

W. G. NEWLAND has moved his real
estate office to the Jones & Sonner
block with Attorney Sears.

THE W. C. T. U. will meet at their
headquarters, 119 East Main street to-
morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

G. W. CLOSSEN, proprietor of the
bus and baggage line, is now success-
fully operating a 10 cent express.

NOTWITHSTANDING the hard times
the Catholic fair was as great a finan-
cial success this year as was the one
last year.

B. L. HALL has put in a steam plant
for the purpose of heating his store.
The idea is to have a steam boiler he
sells always on exhibition.

VOLHEIM & Sheldon, the new real
estate firm which will commence doing
business about February 1, will occupy
offices in the Bowman block.

It was Rev. Earl who preached in
the Baptist church last Sunday morn-
ing and not Wallace Mays as was
stated in the NEWS of yesterday.

THE Congregational choir will have
an extra practice meeting Wednesday
evening at 7:15. All members of the
choir are urged to be present.

DESPITE the rain that poured down
all last Friday until late in the evening
the Farmers' institute at Bainbridge
was well attended, there being three
hundred present.

DOWAGIAC News: After all is said
and done about that Baroda postoffice
war, the one pertinent question we
should direct to Mr. Hogue is: Howser
did you get the office?

THE new grocery store at the corner
of Sixth and Territorial streets, owned
by Robert Riley, is doing a nice busi-
ness. Mr. Riley expresses himself as
being well satisfied with his trade.

THE members of St. John's society
desire to thank the people of Benton
Harbor and St. Joseph for their mani-
festations of good will toward the
church and their liberal patronage at
the recent fair.

Miss Martha J. Howser, of Baroda,
has a two column article in the Dow-
agiac News replying to the letter of Ed-
itor Gilson in that paper. The editor
of the Dowagiac paper now is saved the
trouble of getting up "copy."

CITY Attorney Pillsworth received a
letter from City Attorney Kollen of
Holland today in regard to the fight be-
tween that city and the Bell telephone
company. The two attorneys are ex-
changing notes on these telephone
cases.

A LARGE force of men are at work on
the steamer H. W. Williams which is
on the ways at Altmendinger's yard.
It is expected to put on a much larger
force just as soon as the work is far
enough along to work the men to good
advantage.

It was Miss Kittie Gross, not Miss
Nellie Gross that secured the gold
watch in the contest at the Catholic
fair. Miss Gross explains that the 440
votes given her at one time were from
the people and not given her by any
single individual.

J. O. ROWE owes J. R. Graves a box
of cigars. Mr. Rowe bet Mr. Graves
that the First National bank would not
pay a 25 per cent dividend in six
months after the receiver was appointed.
People who had money in the bank
knew that Mr. Rowe lost the bet.

THE civil case of W. G. Newland vs
Young & Harper, to collect a disputed
rent account was hotly contested in
Justice Cady's court yesterday after-
noon. Charles N. Sears appeared for
the plaintiff and V. M. Gore for the
defense. The justice reserved his de-
cision.

C. H. FARNUM, of Hagar, has again
secured the agency for the famous bone-
meal manufactured by Joseph Lister.
Farmers and fruit growers know the
good effects derived from this bone
meal and the most successful farmers
use it. Mr. Farmer has appointed H.
P. Boehm his Benton Harbor agent.

TOMORROW evening the Second Bap-
tist church will serve supper at their
church for 15 cents with the following
bill of fare: Oyster soup, roast pig
with apple sauce, boiled ham, cham-
pagne sauce, rice croquettes, English
slaw, French scalloped potatoes, tea,
coffee, bread, pies, cakes, etc. The
church has a debt it wants to pay off.

ALDERMAN Volheim will make a ty-
pical real estate agent. In the last
three weeks he has made three real
estate deals involving over \$7,000, and
he never saw one of the three pieces of
property. He is now the owner of a
business block in Bloomington, Ill.,
and has just been compelled to pay for
a new curbing along the street line of
his property.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All drug-
gists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.
The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Have glasses fitted by Dr. Antisdale.

The two cigars "Columbia" and "Our
Congressman."

Wallace Bros. are giving two bicy-
cles away.

Consider.

Glass dishes of all kinds for 7 cents
can be secured at Bradford's bazar, 140
Pipestone street, Saturday, December
18.

An underwear sale is the text of E.
W. Moore's ad. See his prices.

Rockers from \$2 to \$13.50 and every-
thing else in the furniture line at
prices to match can be secured at C. J.
Peck's, 107 East Main street. Just the
thing for Christmas presents.

Dress goods can be secured at the
Enterprise Mercantile company the
last three days of this week at your
own price. Notice the list of prices
they quote and then call and be con-
vinced.

Probate Court.

Estate of Henrietta B. Beeson, de-
ceased, L. E. Beeson, administrator of
said estate, filed and settled his final
accounts as such.

Estate of Lillian and Louisa Roman,
deceased. The joint will of said de-
ceased persons was proved by Clara H.
Schultz and duly admitted to probate.

Estate of Chauncey A. Hall, deceased.
Thomas E. Hall and Mary P. Hall ex-
ecutors, rendered their final account,
and order of distribution was duly en-
tered.

Estate of Michael Shingledecker, de-
ceased, Alvin Michael, executor, filed
and settled his final account, and order
was made distributing balance of estate
in his hands.

Estate of Ludwig Schroeder, de-
ceased, Calvin H. Schultz, administra-
tor, filed and settled his accounts as
such and he was discharged from his
trust.

Mr. Caldwell's Successor.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The Michi-
gan senators have practically settled
that the successor of George B. Cald-
well, national bank examiner, shall be
a Detroit gentleman. Nearly every
city of western Michigan was urging a
candidate, and Detroit had several.
Senator Burrows yesterday urged
Comptroller Eckels that Joseph W.
Selden, now deputy secretary of state
for Michigan, be appointed immedi-
ately. His appointment was decided
upon some time ago, and Mr. Selden
has been qualifying for the position.

D-O-D-D

THE PECULIARITIES OF THIS
WORD.

No Name on Earth So Famous—
No Name More Widely Imit-
ated.

No name on earth, perhaps, is so well
known, more peculiarly constructed, or
more widely imitated than the word
DODD. It possesses a peculiarity that
makes it stand out prominently and
fastens it in the memory. It contains
four letters, but only two letters of the
alphabet. Everyone knows that the
first kidney remedy ever patented or
sold in pill form was named DODD'S.
Their discovery startled the medical
profession the world over, and revolu-
tionized the treatment of kidney
diseases.

No imitator has ever succeeded in
constructing a name possessing the pecu-
liarity of DODD, though they nearly
all adopt names as similar as possible
in sound and construction to this. Their
foolishness prevents them realizing
that attempts to imitate increase the
fame of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Why is the name "Dodd's Kidney
Pills" imitated? As well ask why are
diamonds and gold imitated. Because
diamonds are the most precious gems,
gold the most precious metal. Dodd's
Kidney Pills are imitated because they
are the most valuable medicine the
world has ever known.

No medicine was ever named kidney
pills till years of medical research gave
Dodd's Kidney Pills to the world. No
medicine ever cured Bright's disease
except Dodd's Kidney Pills. No other
medicine has cured as many cases of
Rheumatism, Diabetes, Heart Disease,
Lumbago, Dropsy, Female Weakness,
and other kidney diseases as Dodd's
Kidney Pills have. It is universally
known that they have never failed to
cure these diseases, hence they are so
widely and shamelessly imitated.

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Pipestone Street..

Dealers in

Choice Meats...

At all times...

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..Dentist

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Tremendous SHOE Bargains..

LADIES'

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..Our Shoe Department full of Hot bargains.
FOR ONE WEEK ONLY

Greatest Sacrifice ever known. Extraordinary Low Prices

Your choice from complete stock of Ladies' and
Men's Shoes, worth from \$3.00 to \$5.00, only **\$2.50**

..HOLIDAY SALE..

Of practical, common sense, economical holiday goods, ex-
pressly for holiday purposes, at the lowest prices

Curtains, Rugs & Chenille Covers

Rich Rugs in Smyrna and Moquette, from 98c to \$4.00
Exquisite Portieres, at \$1.19, 2.48, 3.98 to \$6.00
Chenille Covers, at 48c, 89c, \$1.25 to 3.48

Dress Patterns

\$4.00 Dress Pattern	\$2.25 Dress Pattern	\$4.50 Dress Pattern	\$7.00 Dress Pattern	\$9.00 Dress Pattern
\$2.73	\$1.23	\$2.89	\$4.89	\$6.26

Children's Fur Sets

Beautiful white Angora sets, at \$1.75, 2.48, 3.00 and 4.00
Lamb's wool Muff and Scarf, ornamented with head and
ribbons, at from \$2.00 to 3.50

Cloak Clearing Sale

We mention a few of the many saving chances:

Ladies' cloth capes, at \$3.19
Ladies' boucle and beaver jackets, 4.48
Ladies' fine plush capes, worth \$11.00, 7.39
Children's and misses' jackets, at \$1.19, 2.48, 3.69 to 6.00

RAPP & CO.

The New York Store,

107 Pipestone Street

Blanket Sale

Good bed comfortable at	49c
Large bed comfortable at	69c
Large bed comfortable, made of fine Sateen, at	98c
Large bed comfortable, made of fine Silkaline, at	\$1.29
Large bed comfortable, made of extra heavy Sateen, at	\$1.69
10-4 bed blankets, at	46c
10-4 heavy blankets at	75c
11-4 extra heavy blankets at	\$1.15
12-4 extra heavy blankets at	\$1.69
10-4 all wool blankets,	\$2.75
11-4 all wool blankets at	\$3.75
Large line fine blankets at	\$5.00 \$6.00 \$7.00 \$8.00 \$9.00
Special 72 in. German damask at	59c
Special 72 in. fine Barnsley damask at	85c and 98c

We have a fine line Table sets with hemstitched napkins to
match, and a large line fine damask towels. These are
just the the thing for a nice Xmas present.

Chicago Bargain Store

Leaders of Low and Popular Prices.

106 East Main Street, Hotel Benton Block, Benton Harbor.

SPECIALS THIS WEEK

Our qualities at the price have not been matched and will not be beaten in 1897.

The warm weather has left us with more Underwear than we should have at this season, and we will make prices that should clear the tables and benefit consumers.

We have 15 dozen Men's natural grey, double breasted, fleece lined shirts, with drawers to match, will be closed out, the suit for **35c**

10 dozen Men's ribbed Jersey Fleece, ecru color, shirts and drawers, the suit for... **75c**

10 dozen Boys' grey Jersey ribbed fleeced shirts and drawers, sizes 16 to 34, each at... **19c**

5 doz. Ladies' ecru color, Jersey ribbed vests or pants, all sizes, choice **12 1-2c**

Misses' and Children's Combination Suits, all grades, put into two lots, **40c and 69c**

5 doz. Ladies' Combination Suits, all sizes, choice... **42c**

Ladies' Jersey ribbed, cotton and wool mixed, vests or pants, 75c-85c goods, choice **62c**

A few Silk Ribbons still in stock. Nos. 5 to 40, at the old price of **5c and 10c**.

InfHandkerchiefs we cannot mention the many styles and prices. One of the desirable things is a Gents' fine hemstitched, full size, Silkaline, at **12c**, and a Ladies' white, all linen, hemstitched, **8c** each.

Our Grocery Dept. is Becoming More Complete

Every day and the prices continue to make it popular. If you have trouble in getting a tea or coffee to suit, just give us a trial. Our blended goods cannot be beat, and prices range from 12c for a good fresh roasted Santos coffee to 49c for the best goods shown in this city.

..FOR THE HOLIDAYS We have added a line of KRANZ FINE FRESH CANDIES..

Also mixed candies at 6c lb., in 1-lb packages only. Mixed nuts at 10c qt. Raisins at all prices.

Family Lard at 5c lb. Michigan Family Soap, 10 bars 25c. True Bros. Pure Buckwheat Flour at 2 1/2c lb.

..HIGHEST MARKET PRICES PAID FOR BUTTER AND EGGS..

At E. W. Moore's Daylight Store
131 to 137 Pipestone St., Benton Harbor.

Some Notable Features

CHAS. A. DANA'S REMINISCENCES

These reminiscences contain more unpublished war history than any other book except the Government publications. Mr. Dana was intimately associated with Lincoln, Stanton, Grant, Sherman, and the other great men of the Civil War. He had the confidence of the President and his great War Secretary, and he was sent on many private missions to make important investigations in the army. Lincoln called him "The Eye of the Government at the Front." Everywhere through these memoirs are bits of Secret History and Fresh Recollections of Great Men. These Reminiscences will be illustrated with many Rare and Unpublished War Photographs from the Government collection, which now contains over 8,000 negatives of almost priceless value.

The Christmas McClure's contained a complete Short Story by Rudyard Kipling entitled "The Tomb of His Ancestors," the tale of a clouded Tiger, an officer in the Indian army, and a rebellious tribe. We have in hand also a New Ballad, a powerful, grim, moving song of War Ships. It will be superbly illustrated. Mr. Kipling will be a frequent contributor.

ANTHONY HOPE'S NEW ZENDA NOVEL

Rudyard Kipling, Robert Barr, William Allen White, Ian MacLaren, Octave Thanet, Stephen Crane, and many others, the best story writers in the world, will contribute to McClure's during the coming year.

EDISON'S LATEST ACHIEVEMENT

Edison's Wonderful Invention. The result of eight years' constant labor. Mountains ground to dust and the iron ore extracted by magnetic force. The inventor and constructor of the "Turbine," a vessel that can make the speed of an express train. Making a Great Telescope, by the most competent authority living. Lord Kelvin, a character sketch and substance of a conversation with this eminent scientist on unsolved problems of science.

THE CUSTER MASSACRE

The account of this terrible fight written down by Hamilton Garland as it came from the lips of Two Moons, an old Indian Chief who was a participant in it.

MARK TWAIN

Mark Twain contributes an article in his old manner, describing his voyage from India to South Africa. The illustrations are by A. B. Frost and Peter Newell, and are as droll and humorous as the article itself.

NANSEN

The great Arctic explorer has written an article on the possibilities of reaching the North Pole, on the methods that the next expedition should adopt, and the important scientific knowledge to be gained by an expedition, concerning the climate, the ocean currents, depths and temperature of the water, etc. This knowledge will be of the greatest value to science.

The best artists and illustrators are making pictures for McClure's Magazine. A. B. Frost, Peter Newell, C. D. Gibson, Howard Pyle, Kenyon Cox, C. K. Lincoln, W. D. Stevens, Alfred Brennan, and others.

The November Number will be given free with new subscriptions. This number contains the opening chapters of Dana's Reminiscences, Mark Twain's Voyage from India to South Africa, the account of Edison's great invention, and a mass of interesting matter and illustrations.

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The following is one of the many kindly communications we are receiving:

The other day I went down town
And bought a cord of wood
And it gives us satisfaction
Because it splits so good.
It was the easiest splitting lot
I have purchased in my life,
And to get a chance to split a stick
Must draw cuts with my wife.

My boy as soon as school is out
Comes hurrying on the run
Saying, "Papa may I split some wood?
Please, papa, it's such fun."
If you wish your boys to do the same,
You will only have to go
To get such beech and maple wood,
To the Benton Fuel Co. D. B. E.

We have more of the same (wood, not poetry).
BENTON FUEL CO.
Telephone No. 118. Office Water Street. Yards, Highland Ave.

THE EVENING NEWS
25 CENTS A MONTH

GAINING GROUND.

IDEA OF MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP IN MICHIGAN.

Labor Commissioner Cox Makes Public Some Interesting Figures in regard to Lighting.

Lansing, Dec. 14—The Michigan labor bureau has just completed an important investigation of electric lighting, gas and water plants. Deputy Commissioner Holbrook says considerable difficulty was experienced in getting replies, many companies believing the inquiry was made in the interest of municipal ownership, while others thought that it was for the purposes of taxation.

Where there has been good management municipal ownership has proved entirely successful. It frequently happens, however, that politicians rather than electricians are given charge of these costly plants. The sentiment in favor of municipal ownership seems to be gaining ground in Michigan.

The canvassers visited 69 electric lighting plants in cities, 49 being owned by corporations and 20 by municipalities, representing an investment of \$5,423,450. They were assessed at \$1,071,800 and paid \$224,588 in wages annually. The average cost per month for arc lights is \$6, and for incandescent 64 cents. The lowest charge per month for arc lights is \$3 and for incandescent 16 cents.

Seventy-two plants in villages were visited, 51 being private and 21 municipal. They represent an investment of \$832,625 and pay in wages \$74,800 per year. The average cost per arc light is \$6.55 per month, and for incandescent 61.50 cents. The lowest price for arc lights is \$3 and the highest \$8.33; for incandescent 30 cents and \$1.

Statistics were secured from 25 gas plants, but one of which was owned by the municipality. The total amount invested is \$7,564,346, and the plants are assessed at \$1,813,100. They give employment to 373 men at an average salary of \$629 per year. The average charge per 1,000 feet, no allowance being made for discounts, is \$1.44 for illuminating and \$1.15 for fuel. The average cost of production, including interest on the investments, taxes and

depreciation of plant, is 78 cents per 1,000 feet.

Deputy Holbrook remarks that the owners and managers of gas plants have very defective memories. One manager gave the canvasser to understand that he could produce gas for 50 cents per 1,000 and subsequently told a friend that it could be done for half that price. For this reason, the average cost of productions, 78 cents, may be a little too high.

NILES WOMAN.

Congressman Hamilton Secures a Pension for Mrs. Giedmann.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Congressman Hamilton yesterday secured a pension of \$8 a month and \$2 for each of her three minor children for Mrs. Caroline Giedmann, of Niles, dating from October 1, 1896.

Congressman Samuel W. Smith introduced a big batch of bills the leading one of which is a bill to prevent women who marry pensioners to obtain either a pension for themselves or their children. Smith says that this will save the country between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000. The bill met the favor of the committee on rules, but it was thought best to have it reported to the house by the committee on pensions and the bill was sent there.

Van Wyck Sworn In.

New York, Dec. 14.—Robert A. Van Wyck yesterday took the oath of office as mayor of New York before Justice Fitzsimmons in the city court, to assume the duties of the office on January 1, 1898.

New Michigan Postmasters.

Birch Run, Saginaw county, Louis P. Racine, vice M. S. Beach, removed; Burt, Saginaw county, Alpheus Green, vice Manly Gibson, removed; Edward, Ogemaw county, Cortland Blakely, vice Dewayne Blakely, resigned; Freeland, Saginaw county, Charles Dietiker, vice George F. Barbican, removed; Orangeville, Barry county, Sarah C. Wing, vice Eli Nichols, removed; Osceola, Hillsdale county, Mack Harrington, vice R. J. Williams, resigned.

Michigan Pensions.

Michigan pensions were granted Saturday as follows: Original—John W. McKibben, Brinton, \$8; William H. Carpenter, Hudson, \$8; John Waubenno, Beal City, \$6; Jacob C. Becker, Dowagiac, \$6; Peter Burns, Soldiers

Home, \$8; Richard Demond, Hastings, \$6; Calvin Bellman, Saginaw, \$6; Helen M. Hoyt, nurse, Grand Rapids, \$12; Albert Welton, Grand Rapids, \$6. Additional—William H. Vunk, Maple, \$6 to \$8. Increase—James P. Seagraves, Eaton Rapids, \$6 to \$8; Henry Miller, Battle Creek, \$6 to \$10. Widows—Helen Hutchinson, Kingston, \$8; Elizabeth Hehl, Westphalia, \$8; Martha Randall, Kendall, \$12.

Emma Ream, who is confined in the Owosso jail, is giving the prison officers lots of trouble. She has nearly bankrupted the prison doctor on account of her indulgence in morphine, and now she insists that the sheriff take her to church on Sundays. The sheriff does not relish the idea of acting as Emma's beau and he is mean enough to tell her to stay at home. At present she is conducting revival meetings in her cell, and is trying to convince other female inmates of the error of their ways.

Rev. J. A. Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist church at Kalamazoo, has resigned to take effect May 1. Attorney General Maynard believes he will be able to show that the Michigan Central railroad has forfeited its charter by consolidating with other companies.

Lecture on Hawaii.

Evangelist J. A. L. Romig has been secured to give the stereopticon lecture on Hawaii here during Christmas week.

The lecture consists of pictures taken from life on his recent visit to the Hawaiian islands and gives a correct and complete idea of their life and customs, the magnificent scenery, etc.

No one can afford to miss this rare opportunity who cares to keep posted on this important subject. 61679

Graff Clarke, Teacher of Violin. Special terms to beginners in classes. At Schumann Studio, Hansen building, 116 East Main. 68012

To the Public.

Having formed a partnership for the purpose of conducting a general real estate, insurance, loan and rotary business, we respectfully solicit a portion of your patronage. We have also taken the agency for the McCormick Harvesting Machinery company's goods, and the ware room will be located at 135 West Main street. A general office will be opened about February 1, 1898. Yours respectfully, VOLHEIM & SHELTON. 67916

Mileage Tickets to Washington. The Vandalia line is now issuing at all their principal ticket offices the coupons of 1,000 mile interchangeable tickets of the Central Passenger association issue, exchange coupon tickets to Harrisburg, Baltimore and Washington at 2 cents per mile for short line distances.

F. R. HALE, agent, 12678 St. Joseph.

Canadian Holiday Excursions. The C. & W. M. and D. G. R. & W. railways will sell tickets on December 16, 17 and 18 to Canadian points at one way fare for round trip. All good to return until January 7, 1898. Ask agents for full information. GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Benton Harbor Electric Railway and Transit company, for increasing the number of directors from six to seven and for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come properly before the meeting, will be held in the offices of the company at Benton Harbor, Michigan, on Wednesday the 12th day of January, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. Dated at Benton Harbor, Michigan, December 9, 1897. 11679 W. H. HOLLES, Secy.

The White House Store

Is doing a rushing business now days. Everything goes at cut prices, during the big sale now going on. C. & J. SCHERER.

A Terrible Case of Dropsy Cured.

BENTON HARBOR, June 2, 1897. This is to certify that I was sick with dropsy and had become so bad that I felt that I would soon pass away. I weighed 187 pounds. During the past three months I have improved so rapidly that I am confident I will soon regain my normal weight, and be a well woman. I will gladly tell all who wish to know where to go for treatment Drs. B. S. & Co., are the ones that have cured me. MRS. WILLIAM KNEIBUS.

If you want a nice finish on your goods and a perfect fitting neck band go to the Enterprise laundry. 11603

Notice of Special Assessment.

To Alger & Pool, Phil Prescott, Larkin & Pullen, Kate Saylor, Samuel McGulgan, Mrs. M. Downing, Jones & Sonner, Charles A. Hartman, James Lason, L. W. Clodfelter, H. Merry, estate George W. Moore, Mrs. S. A. Williams, M. V. Buchanan, estate Thomas Spires, M. K. Draper, Gust Amundsen, John Schairer, A. R. Nowlen, Edward Jerue, John Fonger, and all other persons interested:

Take notice that the roll of the special assessment heretofore made by the board of assessors for the purpose of defraying that part of the cost which the city council decided should be paid and borne by special assessment for the construction of a lateral sewer on Seventh street, from Main to Oak streets, in the city of Benton Harbor, is now on file in my office for public inspection. Notice is also hereby given that the city council and board of assessors of the city of Benton Harbor will meet at the council room in said city on Monday, December 20, 1897, at 8 o'clock p. m., to review said assessment, at which time and place opportunity will be given all persons interested to be heard. Dated December 7, 1897. 675112 R. P. CHADDOCK, city clerk.

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY.

"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. Sold by G. M. Bell & Co., Druggists, Benton Harbor 103 Main street.

T. F. Anthony, Ex-Postmaster, of Promise City, Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of 'Mystic Cure' for Rheumatism, and two doses of it did me more good than any medicine I ever took." Sold by G. M. Bell & Co., Druggists, Benton Harbor, 103 Main street.

Wallace Bros. are giving two bicycles away.



As a Tonic for the sick will produce health, and as a beverage for the well will retain and sustain health. Highest Grade Malt Extract on the market. A Non-Intoxicant. All Druggists.

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John Schairer, Wholesale Dealer, Benton Harbor, Mich.

My Christmas Stock...

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Until you see the gems that I have and get prices. All kinds of solid gold goods and Sterling silver.

Make your selections early and have the goods laid away for you. You will be surprised how cheap we can sell reliable goods. We don't handle cheap stuff.

Will Chapman

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No. 2, meets alternate Monday nights, beginning April 12. E. W. CANTY, Chief.
MABEL GERR, Scribe.

LADIES CIRCLE G. A. R., REGULAR
meetings second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 2:30 p.m. in G. A. R. hall.
Mrs. E. L. WARD, President.
Mrs. NELLIE L. WARD, Secretary.

BENTON DIVISION, COURT NO. 1, ORDER
of Patricians, meets every Friday evening in Modern Woodmen hall.
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Regular review second and fourth Fridays in
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Treasury Department,
Office of the Controller of the Currency,
Washington, D. C., September 21, 1897.
Notice is hereby given to all persons who may
have claims against "The First National Bank
of Benton Harbor, Michigan," that the same
must be presented to Daniel B. Ainger, receiver
with the legal proof thereof, within three
months from this date, or they may be disal-
lowed.
GEORGE M. COFFIN,
Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

like a May queen. Mitchell, the great
French writer, covers it up with bewitch-
ing rhetoric until it glows like the rising
sun, when it ought to be made loathsome
as a smallpox hospital. There are today
influences abroad which, if unresisted by
the pulpit and the printing press, will
turn our modern cities into Sodom and
Gomorrah, fit only for the storm of fire
and brimstone that whelmed the cities of
the plain.

A Gulf of Iniquity.

You who are seated in your Christian
homes, compassed by moral and religious
restraints, do not realize the gulf of in-
iquity that bounds you on the north and
the south and the east and the west. While
I speak there are tens of thousands of
men and women going over the awful
plunge of an impure life, and while I cry
to God for mercy upon their souls, I call
upon you to marshal in the defense of
your homes, your church and your nation.
There is a banqueting hall that you have
never heard described. You know all
about the feast of Ahasuerus, where a
thousand lords sat. You know all about
Belshazzar's banquet, where the blood of
the murdered king spurted into the faces
of the banqueters. You may know of the
scene of riot and wastefulness when there
was set before Esopus one dish of food that
cost \$400,000. But I speak now of a dif-
ferent banqueting hall. Its roof is fretted
with fire. Its floor is tessellated with fire.
Its chalice is chased with fire. Its song
is a song of fire. Its walls are buttresses
of fire. Solomon refers to it when he says,
"Her guests are in the depths of hell."

Behold also in this giant of the text and
in the giant of our own century that
great physical power must crumble and
expire. The Samson of the text long ago
went away. He fought the lion. He
fought the Philistines. He could fight
anything, but death was too much for
him. He may have required a longer
grave and a broader grave, but the tomb
nevertheless was his terminus.

If, then, we are to be compelled to go
out of this world, where are we to go?
This body and soul must soon part. What
shall be the destiny of the former I know
—dust to dust—but what shall be the
destiny of the latter? Shall it rise into the
companionship of the white-robed, whose
sins Christ has slain, or will it go down
among the unbelieving, who tried to gain
the world and save their souls, but were
swindled out of both? Blessed be God, we
have a champion! He is so styled in the
Bible—a champion who has conquered
death and hell, and he is ready to fight all
our battles from the first to the last. "Who
is this that cometh from Edom with dyed
garments from Bozrah, mighty to save?"
If we follow in the wake of that cham-
pion, death has no power and the grave no
victory. The worst man trusting in him
shall have his dying pangs alleviated and
his future illumined.

Things to Consider.

In the light of this subject I want to
call your attention to a fact which may
not have been rightly considered by five
men in all the world, and that is the fact
that we must be brought into judgment
for the employment of our physical organ-
ism. Shoulder, brain, hand, foot—we
must answer in judgment for the use we
have made of them. Have they been used
for the elevation of society or for its de-
pression? In proportion as our arm is
strong and our step elastic will our ac-
count at last be intensified. Thousands of
sermons are preached to invalids. I preach
this morning to stout men and healthful
women. We must give to God an account
for the right use of this physical organ-
ism.

These invalids have comparatively little
to account for perhaps. They could not
lift 20 pounds. They could not walk half
a mile without sitting down to rest. In
preparation of this subject I have said to
myself, How shall I account to God in
judgment for the use of a body which never
knows one moment of real sickness?
Rising up in judgment, standing beside
men and women who had only little phys-
ical energy, and yet consumed that energy
in a contagion of religious enthusiasm,
how will we feel abashed!

Oh, men of the strong arm and the stout
heart, what use are you making of your
physical forces? Will you be able to stand
the test of that day when we must answer
for the use of every talent, whether it were
a physical energy, or a mental acumen, or
a spiritual power?

The day approaches and I see one who
in this world was an invalid, and as she
stands before the throne of God to answer
she says: "I was sick all my days. I had
but very little strength, but I did as well
as I could in being kind to those who were
more sick and more suffering." And
Christ will say, "Well done, faithful serv-
ant."

A Prophetic Dream.

And then a little child will stand before
the throne, and she will say: "On earth I
had a curvature of the spine and I was
very weak and I was very sick, but I used
to gather flowers out of the wildwood and
bring them to my sick mother, and she
was comforted when she saw the sweet
flowers out of the wildwood. I didn't do
much, but I did something." And Christ
shall say, as he takes her up in his arms
and kisses her, "Well done, well done,
faithful servant; enter thou into the joy
of thy Lord." What, then, will be said to
us—we to whom the Lord gave physical
strength and continuous health?

I said to an old Scotch minister, who
was one of the best friends I ever had,
"Doctor, did you ever know Robert Pol-
lock, the Scotch poet who wrote 'The
Course of Time'?" "Oh, yes," he replied,
"I knew him well. I was his classmate."
And then the doctor went on to tell me
how that the writing of "The Course of
Time" exhausted the health of Robert
Pollock, and he expired. It seems as if no
man could have such a glimpse of the day
for which other days were made as Rob-
ert Pollock had and long survive that
glimpse. In the description of that day
he says, among other things:

Begin the woe, ye woods, and tell it to the
doleful winds,
And doleful winds wail to the howling hills,
And howling hills mourn to the dismal vales,
And dismal vales sigh to the sorrowing brooks,
And sorrowing brooks weep to the weeping
stream,
And weeping stream awake the groaning deep.
Ye heavens, great archway of the universe,
put sackcloth on.
And ocean, robe thyself in garb of widowhood
And gather all thy waves into a groan and utter
it.
Long, loud, deep, piercing, dolorous, immense.
The ocean asks it—nature dies, and angels
come to lay her in her grave.

What Robert Pollock saw in prophetic
dream you and I will see in positive real-
ity—the judgment, the judgment!

Vicious Revenge.

"What is the glad hand, papa?"
"The glad hand? Well, it is the way
your mother spans you when she is mad
at me."—Detroit Free Press.



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What Benton Harbor's People and Societies Are Doing.

The meeting of the Bay View reading circle at Miss Underhill's, Monday evening was one of the best of the year, the period of history studied being especially interesting. The program for the next meeting is announced as follows: History—Frederick the Great and the seven years war; magazine article—Renaissance and the Reformation; sketch—Klopstock; review—German literature; paper—Melancthon, the scholar of the Reformation; description—Florence under the Medici; roll call—Current events in Germany.

The Crickets on the Hearth met with Mrs. Harper on December 13, and in answer to roll call gave their favorite author and the reason why. The minutes were read, the critic's report given and a piano solo by Mrs. Bisbee. The afternoon was devoted to an interesting book review and of Hot Ploughshares by Tourge conducted by Mrs. Bisbee and Mrs. Harper.

C. M. Moran, of Indianapolis, is in the city today on business.

The High school foot ball team of '95 which will play a game with the Twin City eleven in this city Christmas day are practicing in the Alger Guard armory.

There will be a joint meeting of the social work and reception committees of the Y. M. C. A. at the rooms at 7:30 Wednesday night. A full attendance is desired.

Mesdames Lewis, Ward, Hendrix and Clark are entertaining the Henry C. Rowe circle, ladies of the G. A. R., at the home of Mrs. Hendrix this afternoon.

Mrs. Ida Parks returned this afternoon from Dowagiac.

John E. Chase is arranging to go to Colorado Springs in January.

F. H. Frazell left today for St. Paul.

Marion Barton, the child wonder violinist, 11 years of age, will assist the Newsboys' band in their grand holiday concert December 29. Make your arrangements to attend this treat of the season.

The Royal Neighbors will meet Wednesday evening of this week at the M. W. A. hall. All members are requested to be present as the annual election of officers will occur.

Rev. George B. Simons, who is ill, is stopping for a few days with John Higman, of St. Joseph, hoping to regain his health.

L. P. Bay of Berrien Centre is in the city on business.

Miss Clara Edmunds is confined to her home on Bishop avenue by illness.

HIS EAR IS GONE.

Grand Rapids Man Got Into a Fight and Is Marked.

Grand Rapids, Dec. 14.—Abraham Leys has one of his ears sewed on, but the doctors do not hold out much hope of it staying on.

Leys had a fight with one of his chums Sunday night, both of them being drunk at the time. The chum in the course of the fight gathered Leys' ear into his mouth and bit it off. Leys did not discover his loss until he looked into the mirror to comb his hair yesterday morning, and then remembering the fight went to the street corner where it took place and found the missing ear. He put it into his pocket and going to a doctor, had it sewed on in the hope that it would stick.

Married at the Court House.

C. E. Brunke, of Royalton township, and Miss Mary Talmon of Oronoko township were married in the office of the county clerk this afternoon by Justice Baldrey.

New Dock Done.

The new docks along the north side of the canal which have been built by the Big Four railway are all completed except the filling in between the railroad tracks and the docks. Allmendinger's dredge is doing this work now.

Holiday Excursion Rates.

For Christmas and New Year holidays, C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W. Ry agents will sell tickets at one and one-third fare to stations in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. Selling dates December 24, 25, 31, and January 1. Return limit January 4.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Have you seen Wallace Bros.' fine line of candy, 110 Pipestone street?

Thomas S. Clark is in Benton Creek today on business.

Miss Margaret Murphy has accepted a position in Bradford's millinery store.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Clark are stopping at Thomas Rone's for the winter.

The Monday Night Literary club met last night with Mrs. Evelyn Chambers on Main street.

Mrs. Wedekind, of Chicago, is in the city for the winter with her sister, Mrs. H. B. Rosenburg.

Eugene Daggett's barber shop fixtures will be sold under a chattel mortgage next Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Vincent will entertain the Log Cabin Card club at the Hotel Whitcomb tonight.

The Sons of Veterans have arranged a grand ball to be held at the Academy of Music on Christmas eve.

Edward Rigby, the Vandalia enigmist has gone to New Mexico to accept a similar position on the Santa Fe route.

The schooner Day Spring is off the sand bar at the mouth of Morrison's channel, where she has rested for two weeks.

The fish tugs will go into the lake again Wednesday as the fish law prohibiting fishing in spawning season expires on that day.

The Crescent society held an enthusiastic meeting at the High school last night. There was a large attendance and a fine program was rendered.

Martin's Palace of Trade is sending agents through the rural towns with large cases of clothing which they retail and wholesale to country buyers.

Owen Lynch was arraigned in Justice Baldrey's court this morning charged with being drunk. He was sentenced to 10 days in the county jail.

F. A. Blakeslee, state senator from Gallien, has concluded a visit to this city, after being dined and feasted at some of the principal houses in the city.

St. Catherine's Guild of the Episcopal church will give an entertainment and dance at the Hotel Whitcomb December 17. The name of the farce to be given is "To Oblige Benson."

The repairs on the steamer City of Chicago are about completed and by the end of the week the big boat will be ready to go into service immediately when the spring season opens.

St. Joseph people contributed liberally yesterday to a fund for the erection of the Church of God in Benton Harbor. The city was thoroughly canvassed by three ladies of the church society.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Marriage Licenses.

Frank Keen, 22, Mishawak, Ind.; Clara S. Amst, 20, Neston, Ind.
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GOLD FEVER IN INDIANA.

An Old Miner Pans Out Some "Pay Dust" Near Huntington.

Huntington, Ind., Dec. 14.—Some excitement prevailed here yesterday over the finding of some gold in a creek a short distance west of this city. About two gallons of dirt was brought in and panned out by an old miner, who found in it a quantity of gold dust. Arrangements are being made to make a thorough search of the neighborhood of the creek.

Catarrh in the Head, that troublesome and disgusting disease, may be entirely cured by a thorough course of Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, sick headache, indigestion, biliousness. All druggists. 25c.

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Prisoner of Zenda, Anthony Hope.
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Sentimental Tommy, J. M. Barrie.
The Pursuit of the House Boat, Bangs.
Les Miserables, Hugo.
Sir George Tressady, Mrs. Humphrey Ward.
Corleone, F. Marion Crawford.
The Quest of the Golden Girl, Richard Le Gallienne.
Quo. Vadis, Jeremiah Curtin.

Timothy's Quest, Kate Douglas Wiggin.
A Rose of Yesterday, F. Marion Crawford.
A Singular Life, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps.
Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush, Ian MacLaren.
The Old Infant and Similar Stories, Will Carleton.
Three Partners, Bret Harte.
Soldiers of Fortune, Richard Harding Davis.
Chronicles of the Schonberg-Cotta Family, by Two of Themselves.
Louisa M. Alcott's Works, complete.
The Prince of India, Lew Wallace.
And others.

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RELIABLE DRUGGISTS AND BOOKSELLERS.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Rev. H. W. Thomas, pastor of the People's church, advocates the use of shotguns to drive out the foodpads on the west side. He says:

"There will be no improvement in the condition of things until a dozen or two of the foodpads are shot or hanged. That is the only way. The police are not to blame, but there are not enough of them; they have their long beats to travel, and after one has rung up once at the patrol box the 'hold-up man' knows that it will be quite a little while before he returns. If only a dozen robbers were killed there would be a big difference. It would make a big difference if they knew that citizens were armed and ready for them. If they will allow me to carry around a shotgun I won't ask for police protection."

"Of course that sounds harsh, and we don't like to carry around shotguns; we would prefer to have to have the robbers imprisoned but something has to be done."

"When I was in western Colorado twenty-five years ago with a party of clergymen we got a little nervous about the money and jewelry we were carrying. We stopped at a cabin one night, and I spoke of this to our host. 'You needn't be skeered,' he said, 'you can leave anything around loose and promiscuous. A man only steals once here.' That is the point, you see. If some of them were strung up there would be so much of this business."

THE MIDWINTER FAIR

Is the Title of the Universalist Bazar.

Last but not least is the Midwinter fair to be given by the ladies of the Universalist church at Conkey's hall Wednesday and Thursday, December 15 and 16. Each year they offer the public a novelty and treat at their annual sale and general good time. This year the prevailing decorations will be green and white.

The fancy work offered for sale needs no praise. Something for everyone from six months of age up to sixty years.

Splendid programs are promised for each evening. Appetizing meals, dinners and suppers, breakfasts by special arrangement with the cook, daintily served and cooked beyond criticism, as usual. All meals will be served in the dining room of the Midwinter fair, 15 cents a plate. A fish pond will be promised for the children. No one is too poor to indulge in a nickel's worth of pleasure, a nickel being the price of admission at the door. Fair open day and evening.

Frazell's orchestra will play for dancing both evenings.

Wednesday evening's program:
Piano solo.....Miss Morgan
Chorus from high school.....
Solo, Miss Edgecumbe, (a pupil of Miss Webb)
Piano solo.....Mrs. Christopher
Solo.....Mrs. Gatchel
Readings: (a) Brother Watkins
(b) Money Musk, by request
Miss Mericle
Duet.....Misses Josie and Kate Hansen
Solo.....Fred A. Hobbs
Reading, How Ruby Played.....Miss Hudson
Duet.....Mesdames Christopher and Cary
Mandolin club

Thursday evening's program:
Piano solo, Maud Preston, (a pupil of Miss Morgan)
Solo.....Mr. Kneeland
Reading.....Frank Welton
Piano duet.....Misses Zora Thayer and Rowe.
(pupils of Miss Morgan)
Solo.....Miss Kate Hansen
Quartet.....Universalist choir
Solo.....Mrs. Stone (pupil of Miss Hansen)
Reading, Ida Edgecumbe (pupil of Miss Mericle)
Solo.....Mrs. Webb
Duet.....Mr. Kneeland and Mrs. Gatchel
Solo.....Miss Josie Hansen

Holidays will soon be here. Look out for C. R. Hollis & Son's holiday ads from now on until Xmas. We will discount all prices ever heard of. Don't buy a dollar's worth of goods until you see our large and elegant line and get our prices. We keep everything kept in a first class jewelry store and in prices we defy competition. We will give with every dollar purchase and over one ladies' fine stick pin with a white topaz setting or one gent's scarf pin, same setting as the above. 121679

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Smoke "Our Congressman," 5 cents each. 870126

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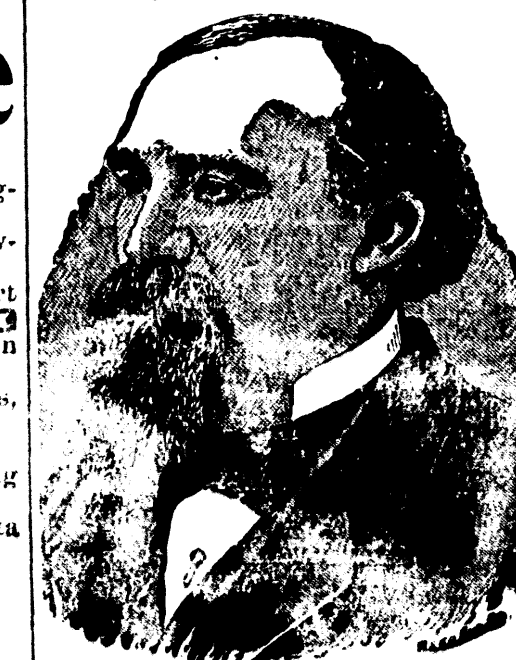
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